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"The best way to get rid of a bad law is to enforce it."—General Grant.

The young King of Spain is Alfonso XIII. That ought to settle it.

In France bicyclists use a whistle instead of a bell. That affords good excuse for frequent stops at saloons.

GENERAL LEE surrendered April 9th, 1865, but the other General Lee looked the enemy squarely in the eye April 9th, 1898, and said he would see them later.

JOSEPH LEITER, the millionaire wheat dealer at Chicago, says he will not go to war to fight the Spaniards. Certainly not; what's the use? Hasn't he got all the "bull" fighting he wants right at home?

SAGASTA says Spain will not allow any of her territory "to be taken from her with impunity." Old man Sagasta is plumb right; but Uncle Sam's boys ain't armed with "impunity"—they've got guns.

F. AUGUSTUS SCHMERHORN of New York City has given his fine yacht, the Free Lance, to the Government. It has been accepted with thanks. And yet none of the DEBS crowd of patriots has bought a firecracker.

SECRETARY HESTER of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, in a recent report, confirms the statement published some weeks ago that the cotton yield for last year was something in excess of eleven million bales, which is, by far, the largest cotton crop ever produced in the United States, being double that of 1890, and 50 per cent. greater than that of 1895. This enormous increase in the production, in view of the fact that the United States is the principal cotton producer of the world, accounts for the low price which still prevails for this one article of farm production.

"It is now known and has been publicly stated on the floor of the Senate that if war had been forced three or four weeks ago, the United States would not have been fully prepared. It is not now ready, but the vigorous measures which have been put into operation in the last few weeks have achieved most desirable results. There is still, however, considerable ammunition and other supplies on the way to this country or in process of manufacture, and a few days' more time is almost essential from the military and naval point of view." The foregoing from the Washington Post of April 18th is of itself sufficient reply to the outcries which have been made upon President McKinley's action in regard to our relations with Spain, and is only one of a series of facts which the public is now beginning to recognize as the true cause of what many were inclined to look upon as unnecessary delay or a desire to avoid definite action.

## THE BUYERS' GUIDE.

# Remember the Maine!

Place to get bargains in this section of the country is at John I. Winter's the Price Fighter, Maysville, Ky. Our good ship was blown up by a Spanish bomb, which has aroused the patriotic spirit of all Americans residing in the sunny land of Old Glory. Another explosion of interest was that of the high prices heretofore prevailing in this section. Remember the date—January the 3d, in the year of our Lord 1898.—the Price Fighter opened in Maysville. Only three months since and "High Prices" have gone forever! Our good and magical sword—"Buy 'em right, add 10 per cent., sell 'em quick"—won the fight, and gratitude today fills the hearts of all the people. They all have a warm corner in their hearts for the Price Fighter, for he has already saved them thousands of dollars. Notice the happy, contented throng of bargain hunters filing in and out of our place all day long; stop and converse with one of them and they will tell you that John I. Winter is the people's friend. We court an investigation of our open method of business. We have no leaders, no baits, no catches of any kind. We make 10 per cent. on everything that leaves our house. We guarantee everything, both in quality and price.

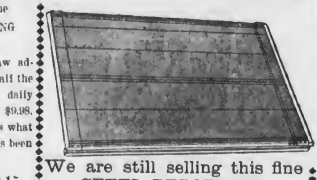
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This elegant Mahogany Birch PARLOR ROCKER, superbly upholstered in Silk and Tapestry, Corduroy and Velour, and full Spring Seat.



Here is the FOLDING BED that you saw advertised in all the Cincinnati daily papers at \$9.98. Our price is what it has always been and that is \$8.15. See what the Price Fighter does for you.



We are still selling this fine STEEL BEDSPRING at 98 cents. Don't pay some one else \$2.75. It's no business.



if you see it you won't buy any other at any old price. We have 12 Steel Disc Harrows as low as \$18.50. No matter what you want, come to the place that the price is made. We set the price; our imitators always await our lead. So come to the Fountain Head. We sell 'em cheap and we sell a heap; we sell all kinds of fine, medium and cheap Furniture, Wagons and Farm Implements. We are

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# THE ONLY PRICE FIGHTER

AND CONSEQUENTLY YOUR FRIEND.  
JOHN I. WINTER, Maysville, Ky.

Just received a full line of Trimmed Millinery by Mrs. L. V. Davis.  
Mr. John H. Hall of this city is negotiating with the City Council of Lexington for putting down asphalt streets there. But Maysville prefers mud.

Soda Water at Chenoweth's Drugstore.  
The Vanceburg Gun Club is arranging for a field day on May 30th, and expects Maysville, Ironton, Gallipolis, Portsmouth and several other towns to take a prominent part in the shoot.

## UNCLE SAM'S NAVY.

The Public Ledger's Timely Souvenir of the Nation's Battle-Ships, With a Description of Each Vessel.

As is fully stated elsewhere, THE LEDGER has arranged to furnish its patrons with a magnificent pictorial history of every vessel belonging to the U. S. Navy. You can get this timely souvenir in one way only—

Cut out this Coupon, and present it at THE LEDGER office, together with 10 cents, and you will receive No. 4 of the series. No orders filled by mail unless accompanied by 2c. stamp extra.

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When presented at THE LEDGER Office, accompanied with Ten Cents, this Coupon entitles the bearer to Portfolio No. 4 of the U. S. Navy.  
Thomas A. Davis

The man who gets mad at what the newspapers say about him should return thanks three times a day for what the newspapers know and don't say about him.

THE Spanish Government says it will repay the bombardment of Cuba by bombarding Washington and Philadelphia. Come right along, gentlemen. You'll find the fertilizer foundry on the Delaware just below Philadelphia, and carcasses are always in demand.

JOHN JACOB ASTOR has offered to furnish and equip a battery of artillery for service against Spain, bearing the entire expense for men, cannon, uniforms and all equipment. But this is so nothing, compared with what ROBERT V. DAVIS will do—with his mouth.

THE Republicans of Nicholas county have wisely and at the proper time reorganized their County Committee, selecting H. B. BYRON Chairman, WYATT INKHO Secretary and C. U. BRAMLETT Treasurer. At the next meeting of Mason county Republicans, and now that nearly all the old committeemen are provided with Postoffices, it might be a good thing to have some new ones.

SPAIN is tottering already. At Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia and other cities in Spain a financial panic has set in, caused by the rapid fall in securities and the rapid rise in exchange. Opposite to this, there's scarcely a ripple on the financial surface in this country. It takes money, and lots of it, to carry on war. Spain is bankrupt already, while ours is the richest Nation on the globe.

## RED HOT ROT!

French Frogeater Makes a Meal Off J. Ball and U. Sam.

PIT OF OTHER PARIS PAPERS.



Some of the French newspapers are howling themselves hoarse, so soon for getting the delightful drubbing that our friends the Germans gave them a few years ago.

The Libre Parole publishes a violent article, attacking Great Britain's attitude toward Spain and characterizing Great Britain as the "hypocritical accomplice of the United States." It says:

"Their alliance is ignominious, but perhaps it is just as well that they should work together, for there will be a day when they will be called to account by international justice, and that day the British fleet will be forced to disgorge and Europe will no longer tolerate the disgrace of allowing the law to be laid down by such assassins and malefactors as John Bull and Brother Jonathan."

That day Europe will have reason for congratulating that they will be unable to invoke any excuse for mercy. They have been brothers in infamy, and history will sooner or later chastise them to gether."

"If it is a case of Europe," cries The Gaulois, plaintively recording the fact that some of the great Powers intend going to war with the United States in behalf of Spain.

This paper has come out flat footed for Spain, more so than most of its Paris contemporaries. But even The Gaulois goes no further than to lament the "indifference of Europe, which looks on with arms crossed at the unequal duel."

country has only to be faithful to herself and her past to find the elements of a prolonged struggle.

The Journal des Debats says that whatever may be the sympathies of the French people for Spain, they have now only to close ve a strict neutrality.

The Figaro says that the war means ruin for the United States, as well as for Spain.

The Petit Journal speaks of "the brutal attack on Spain, almost unprecedented in history."

The Soleil says: "The Spaniards and the yellow fever may have many surprises in reserve for American troops who have never fought, and are unaccustomed for the Cuban climate."

Among the Anglo-Saxons in the seventh century men wore gloves, while women covered their hands with their sleeves.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly and is a well known cure for piles. H. W. Ray, Adjoining Postoffice.

The length of the coast line of the United States, according to the coast survey line, is 5,715 miles, embracing 2,340 miles of the Atlantic ocean, 1,956 on the Gulf of Mexico, and 1,410 on the Pacific ocean.

Major Henry Collett, the well known Dining Car Conductor on the Chesapeake and Ohio, had charge of the train which took a Company of troops from Washington to Chattanooga recently, and he made such a great success of the trip that he has been inspired with a desire to attach himself regularly to the Commissary Department of the Government.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It takes internal in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for anyone it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address:

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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## KENTUCKY NEWS.

The Latest News From All Parts of the Commonwealth.

### THE STATE GUARD

Of Kentucky Very Fully Equipped.—The War Department informed of the fact. LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 27.—The Kentucky troops will be mobilized at Louisville probably within the next few days, no definite orders having been received as to the time of departure for the south, for the equipment of three regiments of infantry, or 3,400 men, and two troops of cavalry. The infantry regiments are almost complete now, but no effort has been made up to this time to raise a troop of cavalry.

The Kentucky state guard is very poorly equipped, not more than a third of them being properly uniformed or armed. The war department has been informed of the fact and it has been asked that the men be allowed to mobilize in Louisville for drill work while they are waiting for their uniforms and other equipments.

### FEDERAL PLUMS

Snatched Away From the Louisville Office-Holders.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 27.—There is considerable interest in the office of the Port Barnett, due to the abolition of four good offices. Government experts came here about ten days ago from Cincinnati and examined the office. After their report was made Secretary of the Treasury Gage abolished the office of cashier, held by E. D. Guffy, at a salary of \$1,800 per year, entry clerk, held by Buck Park, at \$1,400 per year, inspector of excursion steamers, held by Daniel C. Smith, at \$90 per month, and a number of clerks. Mr. Guffy resigned as assistant secretary of state to accept his position.

### Injured Husband Shoots.

OWENSBORO, Ky., April 27.—Dan Wilkerson, who shot and killed by Bob Fisher, the latter alleging that Wilkerson had alienated the affections of his wife. A double-barreled shotgun was the weapon used, and when fired Wilkerson had a revolver in his hand. Fisher surrendered himself and was held at once. The grand jury will probably return a speedy indictment Wednesday.

### Entail in Murder.

LANCASTER, Ky., April 27.—Grant Leavelle, who was shot with a pistol in the hands of Porter Wearden, died Tuesday morning. Wearden is under arrest on a preliminary hearing to be held Saturday. The defense claims that Leavelle was striking Wearden's brother with a stick when the shot was fired.

### Gone as Chaplain.

OWENSBORO, Ky., April 27.—Rev. J. L. Irwin, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Presbyterian church, left Tuesday to join the Second Kentucky regiment under Col. Galtner as chaplain. Mr. Irwin is ready to take a gun and serve as private.

### J. C. Brockmeyer a Major General.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The appointment of Gen. J. C. Brockmeyer, inspector general of the army, to the rank of major general has been decreed by the War Department. The rank of major general has been decreed by the War Department.

### Will Employ Men.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 27.—Men as well as women will be employed in the United States quartermaster's department at Fort Louisville hereafter. The rush of work necessitates this departure from a rule.

### Died of Consumption.

ASHLAND, Ky., April 27.—Lorin P. Eldridge, recorder of Ashland county, died Monday of consumption. His first term would have ended in September, next year.

### Arresting the Calk.

OWENSBORO, Ky., April 27.—Miss Annie Massie, of Owensboro, has joined the Red Cross society and will go into the field as one of the call for nurses comes.

### Resuming a Line.

RICHMOND, Ky., April 27.—A corps of engineers for the proposed Black Diamond railroad began Tuesday surveying a route through Estill county to the eastern Kentucky coal fields.

### New Kentucky Postmaster.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—W. H. Hoke was commissioned postmaster at Buena Vista, Jefferson county, Ky., Tuesday vice H. C. Hoke, resigned.

### Communicated With Gomez.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—It is said the landing of Lieut. Fremont from the torpedo boat Foote on Cuban soil was for the purpose of communicating with Cuban Gen. Gomez to inform him of the plan to land supplies for the starving at a certain port, which would be established as a base of operations for sending arms and ammunition to the patriot army. He was successful, it is reported.

### A Hanging at Newmarket, Pa.

NEWCASTLE, Pa., April 27.—Frank Jonckman was hanged in the yard of the county jail Tuesday morning for the murder of his sweetheart, Leola Cline. His neck was broken by the drop and death resulted in eight minutes. He protested his innocence to the end.

### Double Hanging at Ridgeway.

RIDGWAY, Pa., April 27.—Fred Rockwell and Edw. Bangs were hanged in the Elk county jail at 10:40 Tuesday. Rockwell murdered Lewis Haines on December 31, 1895, and Bangs murdered Haines on January 1, 1896. Both confessed to their apital adviser.

### Continued by the President.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The president has nominated William E. Day, of Ohio, to be secretary of state, vice John Sherman, resigned, and John A. Moore, of New York, to be assistant secretary of state, vice William E. Day.

### To Build One Hundred Torpedo Boats.

PATENT, Pa., April 27.—It was reported Tuesday that the Carnegie Steel Co. had completed the shipment of material for 100 torpedo boats to be built by the government in eastern shipyards.

Turnpike Commissioners will receive sealed bids for the repairs of the turnpikes of the county on the **FIRST SATURDAY IN MAY, 1896**. Parties bidding on three miles or over must file bond with bid.

Tested and **JOHN E. WELLS**, Secretary.

## FLOTSAM—JETSAM—LIGAN

NEWSY NOTES FROM NATURE'S GREAT HIGHWAYS.



The Jettie passed down yesterday with a tow of Pomeroy coal.

The Mt. Clare with a tow of Kanawha coal passed down yesterday.

The Raymond Horner passed up with a tow of empties for Pittsburgh.

The Pacific No. 2 passed up yesterday with a tow of empties for Pittsburgh.

The J. H. McConnell passed down Sunday night with a big tow of timber.

The Belle McGowan, Rescue, George Shiras, Coal City and John Mores left Pittsburgh this morning with coal tows.

Sheriff Chaffin of Fayette county, Pa., arrived on the Cyclone and Olive, owned by Fowey & Scholtz of Pittsburgh at Fayette City, on execution for \$25,000 by Pittsburgh creditors.

Captain Bert Kennedy and Pilot Joseph I. Jones boarded the Cyclone and ran off with her, carrying Sheriff Chaffin along.

The Sheriff, with a posse captured the boys at Monongahela, where the Sheriff of Washington county levied on her for civil judgments.

The Monongahela river at Pittsburgh reached a stage of 12 feet this morning.

Heavy rain fell Sunday night in the Monongahela Valley and Cheat river.

Rowley reports an inch of precipitation, and the rise out of the Monongahela will meet the rise which is now coming out of the Allegheny.

There are a number of towboats on their way to Pittsburgh with empties, and most of them are expected to reach Pittsburgh before the rise passes.

The Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F., will meet in Lexington Wednesday, May 18th.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States will meet in New Orleans May 19th.

Twenty insurance companies which have heretofore never paid any claims were forced to contribute \$5,000 to the city of Lexington.

The town of Franklin proposes to furnish the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company 750,000 gallons of water for \$80 per month.

Captain Albert Rees of Owenton is raising a company to be composed exclusively of bachelors between the ages of thirty and forty years.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. H. W. Ray, adjoining Postoffice.

The Chicago Board of Trade has called its colors to the mast. At a special meeting of the Directors it was unanimously resolved that the American flag be hoisted over the building and kept there until the country's demands upon Spain regarding Cuba are complied with.

In the sixteenth century there was a curious law in England, whereby street hawkers were forbidden to sell plums and apples, for the reason that servants and apprentices were unable to resist the sight of them and were, consequently, tempted to steal their employers' money in order to enjoy the costly delicacies.

At the Men's Hall at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon Mr. J. B. Wood's address on "God's Care of His People" was full of good helpful thoughts which were driven home by the forcible delivery and earnest manner of the speaker.

The address was a very impressive one and sure to bear fruit in Christ's name. Mr. George H. Frank and Prof. H. E. Galby also took part. Mr. Allan D. Cole led the singing in his able manner, the men present heartily participating.

When Traveling.

Whether on pleasure bent or business, take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Flax, as it acts most pleasantly and effectively on the kidneys, liver and bowels, preventing fevers, headaches, and other forms of sickness. For sale in 50 cent bottles by all leading druggists. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

Some People Think

that because we sell Steinway Pianos, we sell nothing else, and they must necessarily pay a high price if they buy of us.

They are Mistaken

for we have other high grade pianos, such as the

Hazeltan, Smith & Barnes, Gable, Kurtzman, etc., superior in touch, tone and finish at prices most moderate. We offer interesting purchases greater variety and better value, dollar for dollar than any house in the West.

If you can not come, write for full information.

Ernest Urchs & Co.

121-123 W. 4th St., Cincinnati

The tomb of Mohammed is covered with diamonds, sapphires and rubies valued at \$2,500,000.

The largest waves are seen off Cape Horn, rising to 45 feet in height, and 765 feet long from crest to crest.

The Second Kentucky Volunteer Regiment will be mobilized on the historic grounds of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association at Lexington.

A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can."

The druggist recognized a household name for "DeWitt's Little Blue Pills," and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. H. W. Ray, adjoining Postoffice.

Saturday Philip Hay, Jr. was returning to Augusta from Ripley, and when near George Lippert's place, Lippert opened fire on him, severely wounding him in the face and neck. The trouble, it is alleged, arose from Hay deserting Lippert's daughter. Lippert had warned Hay not to come to his place. Lippert was held in \$500.

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## WILL MAKE THE RACE!

The Hon. William H. Cox of This City For Congress.

BRIEF SKETCH OF HIS SERVICES

Years, and in 1868 was chosen Mayor—being first to fill that office under the new Constitution.

In addition to his services to the public, he devotes much time to society and charitable work as well as to various business enterprises.

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But, besides all of these, he has other demands upon his time.

He is the owner of the Cox Building—Masonic Temple—with nearly a score of handsome residences fronting on Market and Fourth streets, besides business and residence property in other parts of the city.

He is also the head of the well known firm of George Cox & Son; and there is scarcely a man who engages in any undertaking without seeking his counsel.

His private charities amount to hundreds of dollars annually, to say nothing of several orphans and worthy persons whom he is supporting and educating; and about which the general public would never know but for this article.

Just now he is engaged in the gratuitous task of superintending the construction of the new Opera house, and his own liberal contribution and his influence will go a long way in making that enterprise a success.

William H. Cox may be proclaimed, in all truth, "Mayville's First Citizen;" and he would be a most valuable man to represent the District in Congress.

Mrs. L. V. Davis has just received a new invoice of the very latest novelties in ladies' headwear.

When President Lincoln issued his call for volunteers in the Civil War Daniel R. Shriver of Manchester was the first man in Adams county to put his name to a muster roll. He fought at the battle of Bull Run and was in at the death of Apamattox. He rose to command a Company and was a brave and gallant soldier. And now, under the call of President McKinley for troops to fight Spain, his son, Byron Shriver, is the first man in Adams county to enlist.

His grandfather, the late George Cox, began his mercantile career in this city in 1819, many years after having associated with him his son, the late William H. Cox, father of the present William H. Cox; and the business which was then founded is now conducted by the third generation.

Although educated in mercantile pursuits, Mr. Cox early evinced a taste for politics, and long before he reached man's estate he was an enthusiastic worker for his party, contributing liberally of his means and laboring at the polls for his chosen candidates. Whether creditable or not, it can be said with truthfulness that he has given more to "campaign funds" for the benefit of others than any other man in the Ninth Congressional District.

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years, and in 1890 was chosen Mayor—being first to fill that office under the new Constitution.

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